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REMARKS

Claims 1-7, 13 and 17 have been amended, and claims 20-30 have been cancelled. Claims 1-19 are presently pending in the application.

Applicant would like to thank Examiner Nathan Ha for his thorough search and review of the prior-art, his careful consideration and examination of the present application and claims, and his indication that claims 17-19 contain allowable subject matter.

The Office Action rejected Claims 1-3 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. In response, Applicant has amended the present claims to remove occurrences of "the parts" therefrom to vitiate any issues of antecedent basis which may have existed in connection with "the parts" limitations.

The Office Action rejected claims 1-10 and 12-16 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Wen (U.S. Patent No. 5,812,448); and rejected claim 11 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wen as applied to claims 1-10 and 12-16 above and further in view of Li et al. (U.S. 2003/0228717 A1).

Regarding these rejections, Applicant would like to thank Examiner Nathan Ha for the oral correspondences with Applicant's representative, Kenton R. Mullins, on June 14, 2004, at which time it was informally agreed that claims 1-19 as set forth above appeared to distinguish over the prior art of record. Examiner Ha of course reserved the right to review the case in greater detail and to conduct an update search. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the present rejections of record.

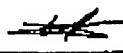
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In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in condition for allowance, and an early indication of same is requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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